

Background D2D 2011:

The 'Duval to Duval' Community fundraising event was developed by the Duval College Senior Common room as part of the College's 50th anniversary celebrations in 2009. The event raised \$12,000 towards a Neo-Natal Unit for the Armidale Hospital. This event was a reinvention of a former Duval to Duval fun run which started at Duval High School and followed a route to the top of Mount Duval. The inaugural Duval College to Mount Duval event fun run/ride (D2D) in 2009 featured a 10 km route from Armidale's Mount Duval commencing at the Kirby Research Station and concluded at UNE's Duval College for a BBQ Lunch. It was planned from the outset that the event would run once every two years and Duval College and Duval High School are pleased to announce that the 2011 event is scheduled to be start at 10 am on Sunday 16th August and will raise funds for the Oncology Unit at the Armidale Hospital.



The 'Duval to Duval' organising committee is comprised of senior University staff, Duval College student leaders, and staff from Duval High School.

Duval High School continues to be a major partner in the 'Duval to Duval' event. The school community (which features 680 students from Year 7 to Year 11) will participate in a 4km fun walk commencing at 10:30am Friday 14th October, 2011. The school event will commence from Duval High School (Crest Rd Armidale) and will finish at UNE's Duval College for a BBQ lunch and Duval College tour.

We are hoping that up to 1,000 members of the Armidale community will participate in the Duval to Duval event on Sunday 16th October. The Armidale Hospital has been chosen by the organising committee to be the beneficiary of the community fundraiser with the aim of raising \$15,000 to purchase specialised equipment for the Oncology Unit at the Hospital.

Participants will be charged an entry fee and entrants will be encouraged to raise money in addition to their entry fee (the goal for teams is \$100 and for individuals \$25). The organising committee will recognise those who raise the most amount of money in a team or as an individual with a certificate of appreciation.

Edwards Coaches has very kindly agreed to again transport participants from the University's Wright Centre to Newholme (free of charge) on Sunday 16th October. The event has received broad support from the University, Duval High School, Mayors of local Council's (Guyra, Uralla and Armidale Dumaresq) and will be supported by the regional media.